CAFC-86-01M

CONCORDIA UNIVERSITY

COMMERCE AND ADMINISTRATION FACULTY COUNCIL

MINUTES OF MEETING

FRIDAY, JANUARY 24, 1986

In attendance: S. H. Appelbaum (Chairman)

M. Abbass (CGSA), S. A. Alvi (Econ.), M. Anvari (Q.M.), K. Argheyd (Mana.), M. Armstrong (Econ.), V. V. Baba (Mana.), B. Barbieri (Assoc. Dean), L. Bessner (Acco.), J. D. Blazouske (Acco.), J. P. Brunet (Mana.), M. Coulas (CASA), R. Curnew (Acco.), I. Devine (Mana.), D. Diniacopoulos (Comm. Studies), D. Doreen (Q.M.), C. Draimin (Assoc. Dean), W. Ellis (Mana.), D. Gandhi (Fina.), Z. Gidengil (Mktg.), P. Goyal (Comp. Sci.), S. Goyal (Q.M.), A. Jalilvand (Fina.), J. Kelly (Mana.), V. H. Kirpalani (Mktg.), M. Kusy (Q.M.), E. Laett (CASA), D. MacDonald (Acco.), J. Mahaffy (AIESEC), D. Maharaj (Lib.), R. McTavish (Mktg.), C. Potter (Fina.), R. Rohrlick (Lib.), C. A. Ross (Assoc. Dean), J. Ryu (CGSA), N. Trocchia (ASC), R. Wills (Assoc. Dean)

Absent with regrets: J. R. Goodwin (Mana.)

I Call to Order

The meeting was called to order at 09:40.

II Closed Meeting

There were no items on the agenda for a closed meeting.

III Open Meeting

IV Approval of Agenda (CAFC-86-01A)

IT WAS MOVED BY J. P. BRUNET AND SECONDED BY M. ARMSTRONG THAT THE AGENDA (CAFC-86-01A) BE APPROVED AS PRESENTED.

THE MOTION WAS CARRIED.

V Approval of Minutes of Previous Meetings (CAFC-85-10M and CAFC-85-11M)

IT WAS MOVED BY M. KUSY AND SECONDED BY R. MCTAVISH THAT THE MINUTES OF THE FACULTY COUNCIL MEETING HELD NOVEMBER 15, 1985 (CAFC-85-10M) BE APPROVED AS PRESENTED.

THE MOTION WAS CARRIED.

Approval of Minutes of Previous Meetings (cont'd.)

IT WAS MOVED BY Z. GIDENGIL AND SECONDED BY V. KIRPALANI THAT THE MINUTES OF THE FACULTY COUNCIL MEETING HELD NOVEMBER 22, 1985 (CAFC-85-11M) BE APPROVED AS PRESENTED.

THE MOTION WAS CARRIED.

VI Chairman's Remarks and Question Period

The Chairman outlined the University's current approach to government funding as reported in the Rector's recent news conference and expressed hope for the financial future of Concordia.

The Chairman commended Isabel Pappe and Janine Thomson for their excellent management of the M.B.A. Case Competition and extended his appreciation fo all who have helped. He encouraged faculty to support the team by attending the event. He then announced the appointment of R. McTavish as Associate Dean of External Affairs and Chairman of the Marketing Department. He noted that Dr. McTavish will continue his role as Executive Director of the CCMS in conjunction with the new appointments and added that the CCMS financial status has improved immeasurably under Dr. McTavish's leadership.

E. Laett asked if grades could be posted before the course change period. R. Wills explained that with the exam period extending to the 21st of December, it was practically impossible. He stated that he was currently attempting to improve the grade posting problem in negotiating with the Registrar for the Faculty to take responsibility for posting the grades for Commerce courses thereby eliminating some of the administative delay.

In response to E. Laett's question as to allowing department secretaries to issue pass/fail results, the Chairman stated that this would not be administratively feasible and suggested that faculty members might be willing to mail grades provided students submitted stamped, self-addressed postcards.

VII Business Arising from Previous Meeting

1. Response to Senate re the Restructuring of Senate and Standing Committees of Senate (CAFC-86-01A-01)

The Chairman explained that the Ad Hoc Committee on the Restructuring of Senate had revised and clarified the first draft of this response to Senate Restructuring, CAFC-85-09A-05, which had been discussed at the October Faculty Council meeting.

Response to Senate re the Restructuring of Senate and Standing Committees of Senate (cont'd.)

IT WAS MOVED BY J. P. BRUNET AND SECONDED BY R. WILLS "BE IT RESOLVED THAT THE FACULTY COUNCIL OF THE FACULTY OF COMMERCE AND ADMINISTRATION ACCEPT DOCUMENT CAFC-01A-01, PROPOSED REFORM OF SENATE FOR THE FACULTY OF COMMERCE AND ADMINISTRATION, TO BE FORWARDED TO SENATE FOR CONSIDERATION."

AN AMENDMENT WAS MOVED BY P. GOYAL AND SECONDED BY Z. GIDENGIL THAT THE DIRECTOR OF THE COMPUTER CENTER OR HIS DELEGATE BE ADDED TO THE MEMBERSHIP OF THE ACADEMIC SERVICES COMMITTEE, PAGE 7, DOCUMENT CAFC-01A-01.

THE AMENDMENT WAS CARRIED.

The Chairman advised that the amendment was now incorporated in the main motion.

THE MAIN MOTION AS AMENDED WAS VOTED ON AND WAS CARRIED UNANIMOUSLY.

VIII Reports from Standing Committees

1. Commerce Graduate Studies Committee

C. Draimin advised that the membership of the Ph.D. Local Committee had been increased to include one student representative. He announced that Dr. T. Tomberlin has been appointed as Chairman of the M.B.A. Committee and Academic Director of the M.B.A. Program replacing Dr. F. Sbrocchi who is now on sabbatical.

IT WAS MOVED BY C. DRAIMIN AND SECONDED BY M. ANVARI THAT DR. SBROCCHI BE THANKED AND COMMENDED FOR HIS MAJOR CONTRIBUTION TO THE M.B.A. PROGRAM.

THE MOTION WAS VOTED ON AND WAS CARRIED UNANIMOUSLY.

A brief discussion concerning Dr. Tomberlin's dual role as Chairman of the MBA Committee and representative for the Quantitative Methods Department followed. It was agreed that the issue be further discussed at the Graduate Studies Committee.

C. Draimin informed the Council that the M.B.A. Curriculum Coordinating Committee was currently reviewing the Business Research requirement. With regard to the proposed M.Sc. Program, he advised that Dr. L. Moore had completed his consultations with the faculty.

C. Draimin announced that Dr. D. Doreen will replace Dr. C. Patterson for the new academic year as Academic Director of the Executive M.B.A. Program

Commerce Graduate Studies Committee (cont'd.)

IT WAS MOVED BY C. DRAIMIN AND SECONDED BY V. V. BABA THAT DR. PATTERSON BE THANKED AND COMMENDED FOR HIS MAJOR CONTRIBUTION TO THE EXECUTIVE M.B.A. PROGRAM.

THE MOTION WAS VOTED ON AND WAS CARRIED.

C. Draimin reported that an Ad Hoc Committee has been struck to evaluate the proposal for a Graduate Diploma in Business Administration program and that a reorganization of the Diploma in Accountancy Program is underway. In conclusion, he noted that H. Tutsch, Academic Director of the D.I.A. program, was recovering from a serious operation in the Royal Victoria Hospital. The Chairman added that Professor Tutsch would appreciate hearing from faculty.

IX Reports from Faculty Representatives on University Committees

1. University Senate

J. P. Brunet reported that the January meeting of Senate has been cancelled and the Senate Steering Committee will meet next week to discuss the response to Senate restructuring. He noted that centralization was the key issue in the response received.

In reply to J. P. Brunet's question regarding the status of the name change for the Quantitative Methods Department, M. Kusy advised that a joint committee from the Department of Computer Science and the Department of Quantitative Methods has been struck to study the matter which is expected to be resolved before the February meeting of Faculty Council.

2. Arts and Science Faculty Council - Nothing to report.

3. University Curriculum Coordinating Committee - Nothing to report.

4. Board of Graduate Studies - Nothing to report.

5. Computer Science Committee - Nothing to report.

6. Library Committee - Nothing to report.

7. C.A.S.A.

V. V. Baba reported that the Commerce Faculty has improved their success rate over last year in having obtained 13 seed grants this year.

8. Visiting Lecturers Committee

P. Brunet

M. Jamal announced that Philip de Gaspé Beaubien, President and Executive Officer of Telemedia, will lecture on February 13th.

Reports from Faculty Representatives on University Committees (cont'd.

9. Board of Governors

C. Draimin reported that in light of the favorable opinion of the Conseil des Universités, it is hoped that the government will cover the accumulated deficit. He noted that it is expected that the 1986-87 budget will be presented at the March meeting of the Board of Governors.

IT WAS MOVED BY C. DRAIMIN AND SECONDED BY C. POTTER THAT THE FACULTY COUNCIL NOW RESOLVE ITSELF INTO A COMMITTEE OF THE WHOLE, TO TAKE UNDER CONSIDERATION THE CONCERN OF THE FACULTY REGARDING THE PERCEIVED CHANGE IN THE NATURE OF THE GOVERNANCE OF THE UNIVERSITY.

THE MOTION WAS VOTED ON AND WAS CARRIED. (In favor - 13, Opposed - 3, Abstentions - 7)

IT WAS MOVED BY C. DRAIMIN AND SECONDED BY C. POTTER THAT THE COMMITTEE OF THE WHOLE BE DISCHARGED FROM FURTHER CONSIDERATION OF THE CONCERN OF THE FACULTY REGARDING THE PERCEIVED CHANGE IN THE NATURE OF THE GOVERNANCE OF THE UNIVERSITY.

THE MOTION WAS VOTED ON AND WAS CARRIED. (In favor - 16, Abstentions - 7)

X New Business

1. Notice of Motion (CAFC-86-01A-02) concerning reports to Faculty Council from Faculty Programmes and Centers.

During a brief discussion of the proposed motion, it was recommended that administrators be clearly defined and that there be semi-annual reports on a staggered basis. It was agreed that the notice of motion be attached to the agenda of the February Faculty Council meeting at which time the issue will be further discussed.

2. Nomination to Advisory Search Committee, Dean of Graduate Studies

The Chairman called for nominations for a faculty representative to sit on the Advisory Search Committee, Dean of Graduate Studies.

IT WAS MOVED BY R. CURNEW AND SECONDED BY R. WILLS THAT V. V. BABA, ASSOCIATE PROFESSOR FROM THE DEPARTMENT OF MANAGEMENT, BE NOMINATED TO SIT ON THE ADVISORY SEARCH COMMITTEE, DEAN OF GRADUATE STUDIES.

THE MOTION WAS CARRIED.

Nomination to Advisory Search Committee (cont'd.)

IT WAS MOVED BY J. P. BRUNET AND SECONDED BY R. WILLS THAT THE NOMINATIONS FOR A FACULTY MEMBER TO SIT ON THE ADVISORY SEARCH COMMITTEE, DEAN OF GRADUATE STUDIES CEASE.

THE MOTION WAS CARRIED.

A vote was called for on the nomination of Professor Baba. Professor Baba was voted unanimously to sit on the Advisory Search Committee, Dean of Graduate Studies.

XI Other Business

1. The Centre for Small Business and Entrepreneurial Studies Report

W. Ellis outlined the current activities of the Centre in the areas of academic courses, research, conferences and seminars and the progress of the Small Business Consulting Bureau.

The Chairman announced that Professor Ellis will step down as Director of the Centre at the end of the year and extended his personal thanks and the appreciation of the faculty for his excellent management of the Centre.

2. Cooperative Exchange Program Report

K. Argheyd reported that by April 1987 it is expected that seven Chinese students will have graduated from the M.B.A. program. He noted that Professor Pederzoli has written a paper in conjunction with one of the three Chinese Visiting Scholars and he thanked the faculty for their help in making the visit of the Chinese delegation both interesting and fruitful. In conclusion, he advised that to date three candidates who will teach in the areas of International Business, Accountancy and Micro Economics have been selected for the China Exchange program and that there has been increased interest in CERAM.

IT WAS MOVED BY M. KUSY AND SECONDED BY R. WILLS THAT THE MEETING BE ADJOURNED.

THE MOTION WAS CARRIED.

XII Next Meeting

The next meeting of Faculty Council will take place on Friday, February 21, 1986 at 09:30 in room AD131, Loyola Campus.